

1 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
2 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MERCED  
3 BEFORE THE HONORABLE CAROL K. ASH, JUDGE

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6 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF )  
CALIFORNIA, )

7 Plaintiff, )

8 vs. )

9 RENE LYNN SNIDER, )

10 Defendant. )  
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Case No. 16CR-07357

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13 REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT

14 DOCTOR REPORT: PENAL CODE SECTION 1369/1370

15 MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019  
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1 Merced, California, Monday, March 18, 2019, 2:39 p.m.

2 P R O C E E D I N G S

3 THE COURT: Call the matter of Rene Snider, and  
4 that's 16CR-07357. She's present with Mr. Tenenbaum, and  
5 Ms. Compton for the People.

6 This was here for receipt of a report from CONREP,  
7 and I did receive a report. This was dated February 28, 2019,  
8 and it looks like it was filed in March 8th of 2019.

9 Mr. Tenenbaum, we did send an e-mail to Mr. Cervelli  
10 regarding any supplemental, but I have not seen that.

11 MR. TENENBAUM: Your Honor, may we sit at counsel  
12 table?

13 THE COURT: Yes. Go ahead.

14 MR. TENENBAUM: May I bring my client up?

15 THE COURT: Yes.

16 MR. TENENBAUM: Your Honor, we appreciate the  
17 Court trying to do that. If the Court recalls, my client  
18 waived her right to contest the 1368 and proceed with the  
19 CONREP portion of it.

20 First, she would like a copy of the CONREP report.  
21 I advised her that I had been instructed not to provide  
22 that to her, but on her behalf she is making that request.

23 We're also asking -- given the recommendation in  
24 the CONREP report -- to now go back and challenge competency  
25 at trial. She wishes to have a jury trial on the issue.

26 THE COURT: Okay. And I would not release the

1 CONREP report to her. I don't think it would be appropriate  
2 at this point in the proceedings, so I won't release that,  
3 but certainly she did waive her right to a jury trial just  
4 to wait to see what the CONREP recommendation was, so I  
5 certainly would understand that if she wants to go back  
6 and dispute her competency, she has the right to do that.

7 Ms. Compton?

8 MS. COMPTON: Judge, at this time based on the  
9 comments in the CONREP report indicating a concern  
10 that -- news that she was found unsuitable for outpatient  
11 treatment might cause her to take the girls again and  
12 because if she were found to be incompetent, the hospital  
13 will only take them from an in-custody status, I am asking  
14 that her bail be revoked, and she be returned to custody.

15 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Tenenbaum, any response?

16 MR. TENENBAUM: Your Honor, my client for two  
17 years now has followed every order that this court has  
18 made as a condition of her being out on her quarter of a  
19 million dollar bail bond. She resides in the city of San  
20 Francisco. She has been following all of the orders.  
21 She's been asked to interview at various doctors. She has  
22 done all of that, so we certainly would ask that the Court  
23 consider leaving her out on her bail bond.

24 THE COURT: Okay. No, at this time based upon the  
25 report from CONREP, Ms. Snider, I am going to go ahead and  
26 I will order that you be remanded into custody, and I'll

1     exonerate your bail bond -- your bail bond, and so you  
2     will remain in custody, and we'll set a trial date for the  
3     competency issue, then.

4             THE DEFENDANT: Um, Your Honor, may I say something?

5             THE COURT: Well, it's better for you to -- is  
6     that okay, Mr. Tenenbaum?

7             MR. TENENBAUM: Your Honor, I've had --

8             THE DEFENDANT: This is unexpected.

9             MR. TENENBAUM: -- I've had long conversations  
10    with my client, and I don't mind if she addresses the  
11    Court regarding bail.

12            THE COURT: Okay. Go ahead, Ms. Snider.

13            THE DEFENDANT: I have been entirely uninformed of  
14    any of my processes. I have not received any correspondence  
15    from this court. I'm now being told two years later that  
16    I need to be remanded and not told why. I have followed  
17    every condition. I'm not a criminal. I don't understand  
18    why this is happening, and I have not had time to discuss  
19    this or prepare to be taken into custody; nor, was that  
20    even within my mind if I'm following bail.

21            THE COURT: Okay.

22            THE DEFENDANT: I attend college. I have several  
23    different college entities that I do online, I have therapies  
24    three times a week, and I just completed -- Ms. Compton  
25    said that I was -- something about that I was not  
26    recommended outpatient. No, I have a recommendation that

1 it's not recommended I be inpatient.

2 THE COURT: Okay. Well, Ms. Snider, I'm just  
3 relying on the report from CONREP, and they were -- they  
4 are recommending that you receive inpatient treatment.

5 There's other information in there. Even though  
6 you've been obeying the conditions of your bail, at this  
7 point I am afraid you would be a danger to either flee  
8 based upon what -- the information they put in this report  
9 or take your children again, so that's the reason why I'm  
10 ordering you to go back into custody, and it's up to the  
11 Court to decide that.

12 THE DEFENDANT: Is there any way to defer the jail  
13 custody, because they can't meet my medical conditions?

14 THE COURT: For now you'll go into custody. If  
15 you have any problems with medical, certainly bring that  
16 to Mr. Tenenbaum's attention, and we can do an order.  
17 They're to provide you whatever medication you're taking,  
18 anything like that.

19 THE DEFENDANT: They cannot meet the medication  
20 that I'm taking. I will go into shock. Not just that,  
21 um, if there's any -- I haven't seen or talked to my kids  
22 in over two years. This is unheard of. I'm not allowed  
23 to come here.

24 THE COURT: Okay. I'm just going on the information  
25 that was provided in the report, so for now we'll take you  
26 into custody, and then we'll set a future court date.



1 Did you want to set the trial date for competency  
2 now, Counsel?

3 THE DEFENDANT: Well, I would like time to arrange  
4 my life for that and make notice for it.

5 THE COURT: I'm sorry. I can't do that, Ms. Snider.  
6 Or did you want to set a date to set a trial? It  
7 would be 60 days from today's date.

8 MR. TENENBAUM: Your Honor, we certainly do not  
9 wish to waive time at this point, but if I could suggest  
10 we come back perhaps Friday morning, and Ms. Compton and I  
11 can look at our calendars and perhaps select a trial date  
12 at that time.

13 THE COURT: And that way if there's any problems  
14 regarding medical care, bring that to my attention as well.

15 MR. TENENBAUM: And we would ask the Court's Minute  
16 Order -- so the jail can know that my client does have  
17 medical conditions that she's dealing with -- reflect that.

18 THE DEFENDANT: There's medications that aren't  
19 allowed.

20 THE COURT: Okay. And they'll -- I'll ask the  
21 jail staff to conduct a medical evaluation and that you  
22 also have some required medications. They're to make sure  
23 you get those medications.

24 THE DEFENDANT: So I'm just being remanded, and I  
25 don't even know why?

26 THE COURT: It's based upon that you're a danger

1 to flee, and we're afraid you'll take your children.

2 THE DEFENDANT: I'm not a danger to flee. You  
3 have no evidence to support that.

4 THE COURT: So I'll set it for March 22nd, and  
5 that will be at 8:30 here in Courtroom 1 for further  
6 trial-setting conference.

7 MR. TENENBAUM: Thank you.

8 MS. COMPTON: That's Friday at 8:30? I'm sorry.

9 THE COURT: Friday at 8:30. March 22nd at 8:30.

10 (Whereupon, the proceedings concluded at  
11 3:46 p.m.)

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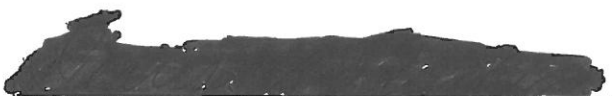
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